

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, bicycles provide an economical form of transportation, recreation, and physical exercise; and

WHEREAS, millions of Americans enjoy bicycling as a pleasant pastime while gaining the health benefits of a more active lifestyle; and

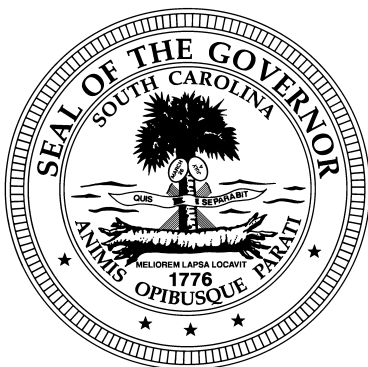
WHEREAS, knowledge and understanding of bicycle safety issues, including injury prevention, the importance of laws and ordinances, bike maintenance and repair, and sharing the road with motorists, are necessary for bike riders of all ages and levels of experience; and

WHEREAS, the first annual "Family Fitness Challenge" incorporates a cross – state bike ride in an effort to get our residents to commit to being just a bit more active.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim May 2004 as

BIKE SAFETY MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the benefits of riding a bike to the health, fitness, well-being, and improved quality of life of the people of the Palmetto State and to work together to raise awareness of bicycle safety issues.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA